nomiNees of the deceased have not completed the formalities. The position in regard to the cases pending, if any in respect of MCD Pry. School Guru Ramdas Nagar, *Laxmi Nagar, are being looked into.*

Nationalisation of forests in Bihar

[Translation]

885. SHRI BHUBAMSHWAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have declared the forests of Santhal Pargana and Chhota Nagpur as reserved forests rendering lakhs of tribals homeless and jobless; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to rehabilitate the tribals of the area so displaced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The forests of Santhal Pargana and Chhota Nagpur were declared reserved forests several years ago, and this has not rendered lakhs of tribals homeless and jobless;

(b) Does not arise.

Medical Facilities in Tribal Areas of Bihar

886. SHRI BHUBAMESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of tribals die each year in Chhota Nagpur and Santhal Paragana districts of Bihar for want of medical facilities as;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Union Government have chalked out any scheme for providing medical facilities to these tribals;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b). As per information received from the Government of Bihar, no tribal person has died due to the lack of medical facilities.

(c) to (e) Health is a State subject under the Constitution of India, Medical and health care facilities are made available in tribal areas in the States through rural health infrastructure of Sub-Centres.Primary Health Centres and Community Health Centres, besides dispensaries.

The norms for establishment of Sub-Centres and Primary Health Centres have been relaxed for Tribal/Hilly areas as 1 Sub-Centre for 3000 population and 1 Primary Health Centre for 20,000 population against the general norm of 1 Sub-Centre for 5000 population and 1 Primary Health Centre for 30,000 population in general rural areas. Central Government have also been supplementing the efforts of the State Governments by providing medical facilities under Centrally sponsored programmes like T.B. Control, Leprosy Eradication, Blindness control, Malaria Control, Kala Azar Control and immunisation.

[English]

Making of Sanskrit compulsory in Arunachal Pradesh

887. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: